

REMEDY FOR THE NEGRO.

MANY THINGS SUGGESTED.

A Philosophical View of the Question—Let the Negro Waste no more time.

The Sunday Journal has recently been publishing the views and opinions of prominent people, eminent writers upon the race issue, or Negro Problem, as it is termed. Thinking people perhaps the readers of the Bee might care to hear from one, not prominent in position, or literary attainment upon this all absorbing topic, provided an original and practical idea be advanced, or thought suggested. I therefore make the venture, predicated my effort upon an Association with the Negro of high and low degree for the past thirty years of my life.

Education is the remedy suggested in every article published on this subject. That is true, but what kind of education? The negro stand most in need of it. In this country, almost every hamlet of this country, to which he has access. In them he is taught letters to read-write-mathematics and the like. A few schools of another kind are established in certain sections of this country. They undertake to train his hand and eye. Manual Training Schools they are called. Would there were none of them. But there is another education, and one he needs most of three, "viz Educate the negro to be thrifty, and at the same time be frugal, to work and earn, and put his earnings to practical use.

The negro in America is strictly a consumer, he forms but little or no part of the producing class. He is an employee solely, employs nobody, depending for existence upon the will, necessities or charity of his white brother.

Educate the colored boy and girl through all the grades of the public schools, and let them take high and normal course if you please, and a few may enter colleges and seminaries, but when they leave these halls of learning, what can they find to do.

Are any mercantile, manufacturing or other great industrial pursuits open to them for employment. Does the negro create, or contribute to create, establish, manage, or control any of the many industries that furnish employment to so many of the youth of this country. Then what does he do with the vast amount of money he earns annually. What practical use does he put it to?

The colored man in America has little or no knowledge of business enterprise, and apparently no attitude for it. He has no appreciation of the power of money, nor the use it can be put to. So that he can satisfy existing appetite, whether it be for food or rum, he seems absolutely content. He does not look ahead and provide for the future and the future responsibilities he creates. Therefore the colored boy and girl by reason of this condition, is forced into idleness and vice. Nothing to do, no means of employment created by their mothers, fathers, or ancestry.

The negro is an imitative being, but unfortunately, he imitates his white brother in his follies and extravagancies only. His love of dress is insatiable, and he will adorn his anatomy in the latest and most expensive of the haberdashers art and wear, if he has to board a free lunch counter, his heart swells with pride when he announces the price he paid for the goods that he has bought, and he especially if they come high.

Again his conception of the dignity of honest labor is crude, though he may be sincere in it. His ambition is to reach, reach, become a Barrister or Medico, or get a Government Job. Believing that his social prestige depends upon employment of that kind. Therefore, he looks upon his brother and sister as far below him in the social scale, if they seek and earn their living by domestic employment. Losing sight of the fact that many of the persons so employed are skilled artists in their employment, and are largely remunerated for their services, and that they form the majority of the well to do colored people in every community.

Let us have the Capital City Washington, by way of illustration. In a population of about 280,000, 90,000 are colored people and very many of them hold good and lucrative positions. Not one in any city, large or small in the United States. A large number of clerks and messengers under the Federal and local governments. They serve in the Fire and Police Departments and the entire corps of school teachers "and it is a large one" which instruct the colored youths of Washington, are exclusively colored. All these people are paid good salaries. Then add to that the large number of skilled cooks, butlers, waiters, and coachmen employed by the wealthy class during social season, and they are paid liberal salaries. Yet there is not a first class retail store in any branch of trade, or a laundry that could give employment to the hundreds of boys and girls running the streets of e. owned or controlled by colored people.

It is true that a few own their homes and a number are trying to purchase them on the installment plan, but I venture the suggestion that to day colored people own less real estate in area and value in the District of Columbia than they did when the Territorial Government was established under Gov. Cook. Then they owned

large tracts of land unincumbered in the northwest section of Washington, the most valuable land in this city to day. But to day they own none of it, and but little to show for it.

to be continued next week.

MASONIC NOTES

The officers of Electra Chapter No. 1, Order of Eastern Star of Chicago, is as follows:

Sylvia E. Carter, W. M. Daniel Garrell, W. P. Cornelia Lang, A. M. Lilly Foster, Cond. Mary E. Holloway, A. C. Nancy Holman, Treas. Annie Nelson, Sec. Minnie Vane, Warder, Minnie E. Roach, Adah; Mary Fisher, Ruth, Eva Harris, Esther; Martha Robinson, Martha, Emma Kenedy, Electa; Jas. H. Carter, Sentinel.

A large number of colored masons from all over the State of Pennsylvania and from some cities in Ohio, assembled on Thursday evening December 26, at Odd Fellow's Hall, at Pittsburgh, Pa., to welcome and listen to a Masonic address by Bro. John G. Jones of Chicago. The hall was crowded to overflowing. Mr. Jones made a masterly address, talking for two hours and fifty minutes, and was listened to with marked attention, and quite frequently applauded. Reception was tendered him on Friday evening, December 27, at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. Harvey, 11 Horton street and was attended by a large number of the leading colored people of Pittsburgh, and Alleghany City. On Saturday afternoon a number of the members of the Court, Sahara Court Daughters of Sphinx of Pittsburgh, assembled at the residence of Noble Edward W. Boykin, and in an eloquent speech made by Miss Hattie Harvey, the matron of the Court she presented Mr. Jones in behalf of the Court with a solid silver shaving cup. Mr. Jones in a brief speech thanked them for the present.

Among the leading colored shriners and scottish Rite Masons of Pittsburgh, is the illustrious Edward Boykin, 33, who is the illustrious Deputy for the State of Pennsylvania, also the illustrious J. R. Bates, 33, illustrious H. T. Brodus, 33, illustrious A. A. Parker, 33, illustrious C. H. Reder, 33, illustrious John Hall, 33, illustrious Harvey P. Neale of Alleghany City, illustrious Wm. J. Doughterty, 33 of Alleghany City, illustrious Edward W. Jones, 32, D. D. Alleghany.

Baptist Ministers' Union.

The Baptist Ministers' Union met Monday last at the Metropolitan Baptist Church, R. street between 12th and 13th streets, Rev. James H. Lee, B. D. vice president, in the chair, and Rev. Geo. W. M. Lucas serving as secretary. Devotional exercises were conducted by Rev. James L. Pinn and Rev. E. G. Gordon. Rev. J. Anderson Taylor, D. D., chairman committee on reception; introduced Rev. O. N. M. Waller, D. D., of St. Luke's P. E. Church, who addressed the union.

The resignation of Rev. Randolph V. Peyton, D. D., president of the union, was received and adopted, and a committee of three was appointed to draft resolutions expressive of the sentiments of the union. The committee consisted of Rev. Walter H. Brooks, D. D., Rev. J. Anderson Taylor, D. D., and Rev. Wm. F. Gibbons, Ph. D. A resolution was offered by Rev. James L. White to the effect that Rev. James H. Lee, B. D. vice president be installed as president, to fill the unexpired term of Rev. Peyton, which was adopted. A resolution offered by Rev. J. B. Herben that Rev. James L. Pinn be chosen vice president was also adopted.

Rev. Robert Johnson, M. D., installed the elected named.

Rev. Geo. W. Lee, D. D., chairman of the trustee board of the Home of the Aged, gave notice that a mass meeting will be held in the Vermont Avenue Baptist Church Monday next at 8 p. m. in the interest of the home building fund.

Rev. Wm. J. Howard, B. D., gave notice that the joint meeting of the two Baptist Unions will be held in Metropolitan Church next Monday, January 13, at 11 o'clock a. m.

General Wheeler on the Negro.

The following is taken from the editorial columns of the Philadelphia Ledger.

"There is no question that the superiority of the white race in the south must be maintained. Any one who has seen the south under the rule of the other color, as it was directly after the war, can understand why this must be so."

"These words are attributed to General Joseph Wheeler in a report of a recent interview. General Wheeler is more of a soldier than a statesman, but he must be very little of the latter to have uttered such a sentiment deliberately. When the south was in the condition he describes, the colored man were ignorant, irresponsible and under the influence of unprincipled white men from the north. He might as well say that the orgies of the reign of terror proved that the French people were and always would be unfit to govern themselves. The assertions would be paralleled."

In the same interview from which the Ledger quotes General Wheeler, pursuing the same subject, aid: "For one reason, white supremacy alone can insure financial stability. There would be no political break in the solid south by any party which tries to interfere from the north through the medium of politicians with the solving of the color problem by the south."

General Wheeler's reference of course was to local financial stability. But what a record the white supremacy of the south has on the subject of the national financial stability! Mr. Bryan leaped upon the south in both

of his campaigns. She gave him the majority of the votes he received in the electoral college. She was in the main the menace to the national credit. Had it been possible for the Nebraska leader to make such headway elsewhere as he made in the south, free silver would have carried at the polls, and the financial stability of this country would have been temporary destroyed. The Bryan machine carried everything before it in the south.

And yet there were voters at hand sufficient in number to have turned the scale in favor of sound money and the country's prosperity. They were citizens of the United States, and qualified for the suffrage under the Constitution of the United States. But they were not permitted to exercise their constitutional right. They were barred from the polls on the allegation that they were unable to understand the questions at issue, and therefore unworthy of a voice in their settlement. We have then this extraordinary case to consider. The white supremacy of the south, under machine domination, standing arrayed against the public credit, with the rejected negro vote standing ready, under local and native leadership, to save the day for sound finance, and only asking

Greene has not lost any of his old time harmony, if anything he has improved. The vocal solo by Prof. Harry Lewis, was very fine and was very enthusiastically applauded. Mr. Lewis has a very fine voice. Miss Georgia Savoy played an instrumental solo. Miss Savoy is a very accomplished pianist and is always greeted with applause whenever she appears.

NEW MASONIC

Beneficial Association of the United States, Organized at Pittsburgh, Pa., on the 28th of December, 1901.

At a meeting held by a number of colored masons, at Pittsburgh, Pa., on Saturday, the 28th, at 44 Wandless street, the United Masonic Beneficial Association of the United States of America was organized. The headquarters of this association is permanently located at Pittsburgh, Pa. The following officers were elected for a period of three years:

Edward W. Boykin, President, 109 Wandless street Pittsburgh, Pa., H. C. Scott, First Vice President, Washington, D. C., H. T. Brodus, Secun



PROF. BOOKER T. WASHINGTON.

The man the White People Selected to Lead the Negroes, and the Confidential Political Advisor of Mr. Roosevelt.

the right to exercise a constitutional privilege. If anything more remarkable than this is to be found in our political history it is not visible to the naked eye.

SHOULD RETAIN SOUTH.

From the National Baptist Union.

Inconsiderate and unreliable agitators are still urging the Negroes of the South to flock to the Northern States for the purpose of bettering their condition. Seriously, we doubt the wisdom of such admonitions. The Northern white man delights to close the avenues to labor against Negroes, and they are some times met at the boundary lines of the Northern States with shot guns and industrial regiments, raving mad, to see that they do not get hon st employment by firms and incorporations that have formerly given employment to white men. In the South the Negro is given the chance to earn a livelihood; to make and save some money; to accumulate some property, and to engage in business on as large and profitable scale as his means and his judgement will allow. If he should desert a land where he is thus highly favored, and fly to a region where starvation and industrial strangulation must be his portion he, he would simply repeat the strange conduct of the dog, which, while crossing the stream, exchanged the real bone for the shadow.

From the Times Speaker

No right-thinking Negro will congratulate President Roosevelt on his recent cabinet-selection for the post-master general portfolio in the person of H. C. Payne of Wisconsin. The Negro press and everybody else who is honest and brave are opposed to Mr. Payne on account of his opposition to full representation from the southern states in the national Republican conventions some time since.

From the Times Speaker

The Afro-American race has too many grip-sack leaders, and not enough real estate leaders

Some Reasons Why.

The Epworth League at Asbury M. E Church held its regular meeting last Sunday afternoon at 4 o'clock. Attorney L. L. Hanson called the meeting to order. He conducted the song service, after which Mr. Monroe was introduced to preside over the lyceum and in a neat and eloquent address, introduced Mr. W. Calvin Chase who read his new paper entitled "Some Reasons Why." At the conclusion of Mr. Chase's paper, attorney L. L. Jones, was introduced and he made one of his logical and eloquent addresses supporting the paper read by Mr. Chase. After which the following program was carried out: Set-ctreading by Miss G. Thompson, accompanied by Prof. Spencer Greene. The reading of Miss Thompson and the singing by Prof. Greene were very interesting. Prof.

Vice President, Homestead, Pa., William A. Coggins, Third Vice President, Richmond, Ind. John G. Jones, Attorney, 101 Clark street Chicago Ill., J. R. Bates Grand Secretary, Geneva street, Pittsburgh, Pa., John Hall, Grand Treasurer, Pittsburgh, Pa.

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The object for which this association is formed is the adoption and maintenance of such plans and regulations as shall be to the mutual benefit and protection of its members, and in case of a death of a member of this association, each member shall be assessed the sum of fifty cents, and the money so assessed shall go to the nearest relative of the deceased member. The membership fee of this association is twenty five cents. None but Master Masons, members of the Order of Daughters of Sphinx, members of the Order of the Heroines of Jericho, and the Order of the Eastern Star are eligible to become members of this organization.

Gen. Hamilton's Spectacles.

A very remarkable story is current with regard to Gen. Sir Ian Hamilton's spectacles. It appears that the gallant officer, then a subaltern, lost a pair of spectacles in the battle of Majuba hill. They were apparently picked up by a Boer, whom they suited, and who kept them for 20 years. In the early part of the present year the spectacles were found on the body of a dead Boer. The case had Gen. Hamilton's name on it, and they were in due course returned to their original owner.

Victim of a High Collar.

High collars were thought to be becoming to Emanuel Daveler, of Sterling, Ill., and therefore he wore them. While out on his bicycle, with a band of linen three inches high adorning his neck, he fell from his wheel and landed in a ditch. The collar cut a deep gash in his throat, exposing the windpipe, but not cutting it. He has determined to abandon high collars.

The Latest Floral Wonder.

The newest floral wonder is the "Shasta daisy," originated by a flower grower of California. It measures a foot in diameter.

Rights of Citizenship.

District assessor H. Darnelle of the District Government addressed the Lyceum of the Second Baptist Church last Sunday afternoon on the Rights of Citizenship. He was well received and his talk was practical and pointed. There is no young man in the city,

more liked and appreciated than Mr. Darnelle. He argued the rights that the negro were entitled to under the flag of this country. He showed how the negro could do to secure and maintain his rights. At the conclusion of this address he was highly congratulated.

W. MURRAY CRANE.

Elected Lieutenant Governor of Massachusetts Three Times and Governor Twice.

Gov. Winthrop Murray Crane of Massachusetts, who has declined to succeed Lyman J. Gage as secretary of the treasury, was elected last November for the second term as governor, and before he became governor he was lieutenant governor three years. He is a millionaire paper manufacturer, of Dalton, in the western part of the state, where he was born in 1853. His grandfather founded the Berkshire paper mill there in 1801. There are now four mills in the control of the Cranes. The Berkshire, at Dalton; the Pioneer, which is one of the largest mills in the country; the Bay State mill, and the mill at Pittsfield, where the paper used by the United States government in the manufacture of money is made. W. Murray Crane has been the guiding and controlling mind not only in the management of these large paper mills, but in the various other enterprises of the Cranes of Massachusetts. The Crane mills are noted among workers as never having had a labor difficulty, and their principal owner has a reputation for fair dealing with employees and public-spirited support of undertakings for the welfare of the community in which the mills are located. Gov. Crane became extremely popular during his first term as lieutenant governor, and in the state convention of 1899, when it was agreed the then governor should be satisfied with having served three terms, no name but Mr. Crane's was considered by the convention. He has been a member of the republican national committee and has a number of times been a delegate at large to national conventions.

WEST VIRGINIA DIANA.

Lily Jackson, Daughter of Oldest Judge on Federal Bench, is an Accomplished Hunter.

Miss Lily Irene Jackson, of Parkersburg, W. Va., daughter of Judge John Jay Jackson, the oldest judge in the federal bench in point of service, is the Diana of West Virginia. Judge Jackson was one of President Lincoln's appointees, nearly 40 years ago. At 77 years of age he is still one of the ablest judges on the bench and he is robust and active. His daughter is an accomplished horsewoman, a crack shot with rifle or shotgun, an enthusiastic hunter, a lover of fine horses and dogs and she can hunt all day without the slightest fatigue. On a recent occasion she went on a hunting trip and returned with 20 quail, all of which fell victims to her splendid aim. She never misses a shot on the hunt and frequently brought down more than one bird at a time. A game supper to a few of her friends followed her last hunting trip, for which she herself cooked the birds she had killed. She has hand-painted souvenir cards of her own handiwork, representing hunting scenes, and on each was a feather of one of her trophies.

Peculiar Detective System.

In Newcastle, England, professional shoppers are employed by a certain large firm of drapers to test the ability of shop assistants. This firm owns over 30 large shops and employs nearly 1,000 assistants. To find out whether every customer is politely served, a number of lady customers are employed to call at the various shops. They are told to give as much trouble as possible, and sometimes to leave without making a purchase after looking at nearly everything in the shop.

A City with a Surplus.

The city of Metz not only has no debts, but it has a surplus of \$79,400 marks.

WINTER TOURIST TICKETS, SEASON 1901-2.

BALTIMORE & OHIO RAILROAD. The Baltimore & Ohio Railroad placed on sale at all principal offices East of the Ohio River, Winter Tourist Tickets to points in Alabama, Florida, Louisiana, Mississippi, New Mexico, North Carolina and Texas; also Havana, Cuba, and Nassau, N. P., at reduced rates.

For additional information call on Agent Baltimore & Ohio R. R.

IMPROVED SERVICE WEST-B. & O. R. R.

Under recent change of schedule, trains leaving Washington 6.40 p. m. (daily) arrives in Chicago in time to connect with "Crack" trains of Western roads, including "Overland Limited" and "California Limited," giving quick service to all Pacific Coast and intermediate points. Also splendid service and good connections to points east of Chicago.

A NEW PARTY.

ROOSEVELT AND WASHINGTON ORGANIZING FOR 1904.

The United States Must Follow Prof. Booker T. Washington—He is to Organize the South for the President. Northern Negroes and Colored Leaders not Wanted.

Some time ago The Bee published the organization of a new party by Prof. Booker T. Washington for President Roosevelt. The many conferences that have been held by the President and Prof. Washington, it is said, was to map out a Southern policy. This policy is to remove all negro republicans and appoint Southern democrats. Prof. Washington has the responsibility of organizing the South for the President. The Northern negro and colored leaders South will not be consulted. All of the adherence of Senator Hanna and the friends of the late President are being removed from office and Roosevelt men are being appointed. The President of course is endeavoring to build up a personal party organization.

There are hundreds of colored office seekers waiting to be called to the pie counter and if they are not appointed no Roosevelt party will they organize. Prof. Washington wants the assistance of editor Fortune of the New York Age, but editor Fortune will not budge until he is assured that he is to get a big plum. He is not in politics for his health. Negroes are going to play politics now for business and not for fun. They are of the opinion that they might as well die one death as another. The new party is making poor progress.

HAS SUFFERED MUCH.

Queen Sophia of Sweden and Norway Has Been an Invalid for Many Years.

Queen Sophia of Sweden, who is at present very ill, is now in her sixty-sixth year, and is noted among European royal women as a devoted mother, who has had more than the average happy mother's lot to contend with. She was formerly Princess Sophia, and is the daughter of the late Duke Wilhelm of Nassau. She was married to King Oscar on June 6, 1857, and brought him a truly royal dowry, which has constituted the only great wealth which the Swedish king has had. For 14 years the queen has been unable to take an active or conspicuous part in court affairs or in public functions of any kind. Since her serious illness of 1887 she has been a great sufferer, and has been compelled to live a quiet life. She has found time and strength, however, to devote herself to works of philanthropy, especially to the Sophia home in Stockholm, endowed by her, in which she takes a never-failing and active interest.

Where Women Are Firemen.

In the town of Mont Clare, Ill., the women are the fire fighters. Most of the men are in Chicago all day attending to business, and they leave the management of the suburban town's affairs largely to their wives and sisters. So the fire captain is a woman, and so is the fire marshal, and all of the women are trained to fighting fire.

Mr. Carnegie's Benefactions.

Andrew Carnegie has given in this country for libraries and educational purposes \$25,000,000, not including his latest proposed contribution of \$10,000,000 for students of science. Mr. Carnegie's total list of benefactions to date is \$82,000,000.

MANIAC IN CHURCH.

He Seized a Crucifix and Ran Wildly Through the Congregation Beating the Air.

With a large brass crucifix in his hands and flourishing it to ward off an animal he imagined was after him, Peter Miller ran wildly through St. Philomena's church, at Pittsburgh, Pa., during a funeral mass the other morning.

Miller walked into the church with some other men and took a seat near the altar. During the service he jumped up and shouted that rats and snakes were after him. He rushed through the church like a maniac trying to escape from his imaginary pursuers.

The side doors were locked, but Miller ran to them and tried to force them. When they refused to yield he ran to the altar and seized the crucifix. With this held high in the air he again rushed round the church, screaming for some one to deliver him from his persecutors. He then stopped at the door leading from the church to the residence of the priests and tried to hammer it down with the crucifix.

Men who had tried to restrain him then jumped upon him and bore him to the floor, where they held him until the arrival of police. The interrupted mass then continued. Miller is crazy.